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Re: Chemical Recovery Systems, Inc., Elyria, Ohio

Dear Ms. Massenburg:

This letter will serve to confirm our telephone conversation, at which time we discussed the fact that Peter Shagena had received an information request from the EPA on or about February 24, 2000. I contacted your office to assist Mr. Shagena as he was traveling at the time. Based upon the letter, Mr. Shagena would owe the EPA a response by approximately March 26, 2000. You indicated that you would provide Mr. Shagena a 20-day extension for the submittal of the response.

As you should be aware, this Company has been out of business for many years. It is only by coincidence that there are few remaining records. Arrangements can be made to turn over those records to the EPA. These records are in a storage facility that was being cleaned out because the rental agreement was over. Furthermore, as you are aware, this Company has settled at this site. It is also my understanding that there is no indication that any real remedial action is required at this site. Over 20 years have lapsed since site work was conducted by the Company.

The questions posed in the questionnaire are not applicable to this situation. However, in the spirit of cooperation, Mr. Shagena can set up arrangements for you to review the records. However, such a review must be done in the <u>near future</u> before the storage space is lost.

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It is my understanding that the records speak for themselves and there is no information available beyond what is contained in those records. Please contact my office as soon as possible

Very truly yours.

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